

### **ELECTION**

In accordance with the Examiner's requirement. Applicant hereby elects species number (2) directed to Figure 7 as set forth in the Examiner's office action. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-20 are readable on the elected species.

### **TRAVERSE**

Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement and respectfully argues that restriction is improper given the nature of the invention. M.P.E.P. § 803 states that "if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions."

Applicant respectfully argues that, although the species cited by the Examiner may be patentably distinct, examination of the entire application should not require a serious burden due to the limited number of species and the limited number of independent claims.

### **REMARKS**

Applicant respectfully submits that this response is a complete and thorough response to the Examiner's Office Action and respectfully requests examination of the application.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference with the undersigned would be helpful to the allowance of this application, a telephone conference is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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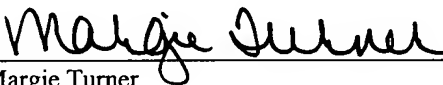


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